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Via ECFS Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20554

## Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to 47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1

Dear FCC,

I use and support a local internet provider--SONIC--and I reject moves by the well monied and smug providers to drive them out of business, by whatever within-the-law means they have.

If the big guns have their way, it'll be higher rates for all, to cover their advertising budget. Competition is healthy, and tends to drive rates down.

Do your job, do your duty. Reject the USTelecom petition, but tell the proponents over lunch; the company's buying ..

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